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Former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun meets with supporters at the University of Chicago Law School in Chicago. Moseley-Braun recently filed papers in Washington on formally creating a campaign committee to seek the Democratic presidential nomination.

Ex-Senator Carol Moseley-Braun Announces Her Presidential Bid

"It's time to take the 'men only' sign off the White House door."

With that statement Carol Moseley-Braun, the first Black woman elected to the U.S. Senate, began her quest for the U.S. presidency.

Shortly before she filed with the Federal Election Commission to form a presidential exploratory committee, the former Illinois senator and ambassador stated: "I want to be president because I believe I can bring a vision and a voice to Americans who want to fulfill our responsibilities to leave more, not less, to the next generation.

"In these difficult times for America, I believe women have a contribution to move our country toward peace, prosperity and progress," said the presidential hopeful.

During a speech at her alma mater, the University of Chicago Law School, after campaigning in Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina, Moseley-Braun said she hopes "to be a voice for people who have not had a chance to participate in presidential elections."

She currently is the only Black woman in the presidential race and the third Black woman to seek the presidency since activist Lenora Fulani in 1988 and former New York Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, who ran for the Democratic nomination in 1972.

Describing herself as a "peace dove and budget hawk," she criticized the Bush administration for its push for war against Iraq, arguing that the policy had alienated allies and "frittered away" goodwill overseas.

Moseley-Braun, 55, is a Chicago native who graduated from the University of Illinois-Chicago and University of Chicago Law School, and served as an assistant U.S. attorney (1973-77). Most recently she was an ambassador to New Zealand during the Clinton administration.

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▲ **ANNAN AND THE POPE MEET FOR PEACE:** U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan meets with Pope John Paul II during a recent Vatican visit. Annan, who received the Vatican's thanks for his "constant personal commitment for peace," was in Rome to discuss the growing tensions between Iraq and the international community with Italian Premier Silvio Berlusconi and to talk with the pope, who has been involved in diplomatic efforts to end the escalation toward war with Iraq.

▼ **ROSA PARKS BECOMES LINKS MEMBER AT 90!**: Civil rights heroine Rosa Parks is congratulated by Dr. Gladys Vaughn (r), national president of The Links, Inc., and Elaine Eason-Steele, Mrs. Parks' assistant and co-founder of the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute, after Parks was named an honorary member of The Links during her 90th birthday celebration in Detroit. In addition to the special induction ceremony, festivities included a tribute to Parks at a benefit concert titled "For The Love of Rosa" featuring the Three Mo' Tenors at the Detroit Opera House. The Links, Inc. is a 57-year-old women's service organization that addresses Black issues worldwide with more than 11,000 members in 274 chapters.

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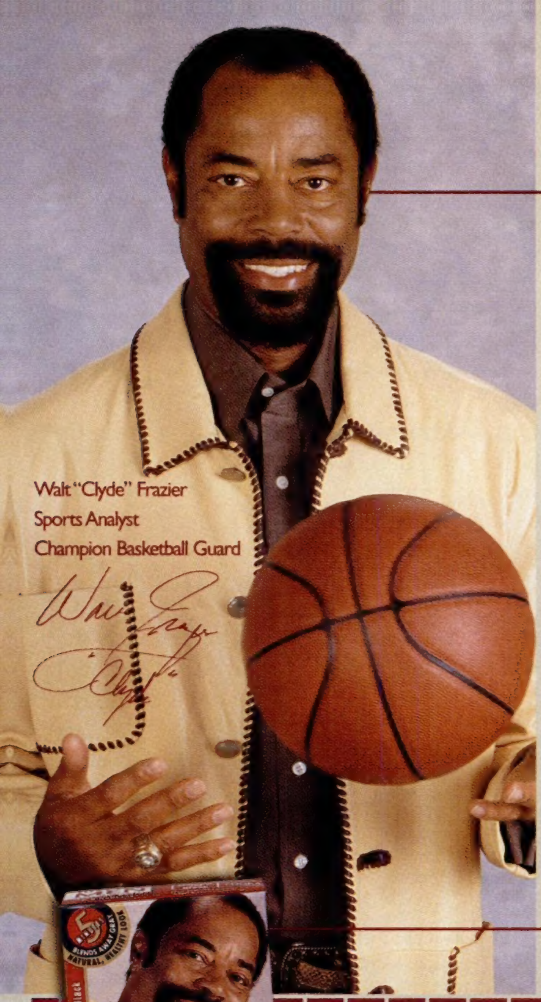

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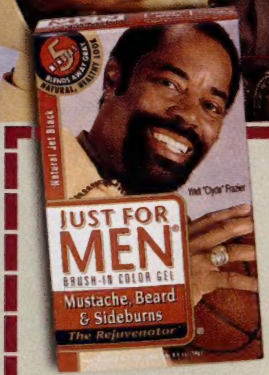

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TICKER TAPE

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CONFIDENTIAL: The strange rise and fall of Dr. **Arthur Fletcher**. He is the former GOP Assistant Secretary of Labor who thought up America's affirmative action program and became prominent in politics. His idea opened the way for Blacks to be promoted in the construction industry and his concept was copied throughout the labor force. However, when conservatives opposed the plan and carried their case to the U.S. Supreme Court, Fletcher's accomplishments were downplayed. He became virtually ignored in the industry. Just recently, however, Fletcher announced in the nation's capital that he will launch a 22-city speaking tour aimed at motivating Black youth to stay in school and take advantage of the hard-fought and now endangered educational opportunities...Once a targeted area for Black diplomats, Africa has become an area that is not as popular among foreign service workers because of political unrest and warfare. Diplomats in many areas on the continent need security to carry out their duties. In some cases, families are not allowed to accompany the envoy. Said a foreign service aide who recently returned to the U.S. from an African assignment, "The Back to Africa talk is not appropriate now."... **John Raffetto** of the Alaska State Society of Arlington, VA, says of **James Hayes**, a Black who recently was named special advisor to the U.S. Senate pro tem: "James is one to watch. His father was mayor of Fairbanks (AK) for many years and those political genes have passed down to him." Raffetto writes that Blacks wouldn't expect such progress in the Alaskan city...Farewell to National Urban League President **Hugh B. Price**, who is stepping down from the post. Reps **John Conyers, Charles Rangel, Major Owens, Edolphus Towns**, and **Elijah Cummings** headlined the sponsor list of a recent testimonial for a leader who said that for the last seven years he "kept his budget" in the black.

National Headliners

D.C. lawyer **Dovie Roundtree** received the Living Legend Award of the Mt. Hope Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, VA...**Michelle McMurry** was named a legislative assistant on the staff of Sen. **Joseph Lieberman**...Illinois state senator **Barack Obama** and health care activist **Joyce Washington** campaign for the U.S. Senate...Constituency For Africa (CFA) President **Melvin Foote** led a delegation on a tour of five African nations, including South Africa, Nigeria and Egypt.

Arthur Fletcher

Hugh B. Price

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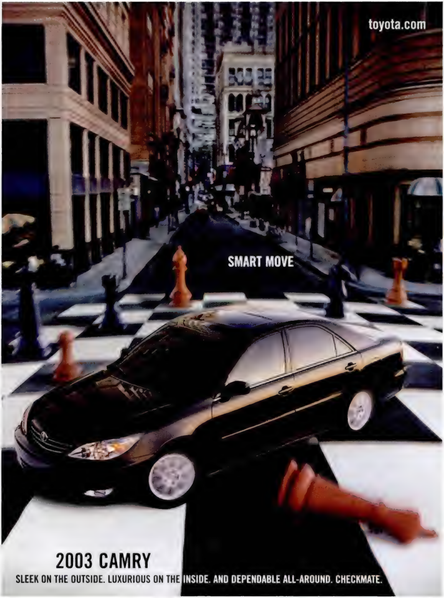
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Louis Farrakhan Blasts Bush's War Plans During Saviours' Day Speech

Kenneth Muhammad

▲ *Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan delivers address, "America At the Crossroads: War Is Not The Answer," at the annual Saviours' Day celebration in Chicago.*

Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan blasted President Bush's plan to go to war with Iraq during his annual Saviours' Day address in Chicago.

"This is a very, very dangerous time," Farrakhan said at the University of Illinois at Chicago Pavilion.

"During this period of darkness, President Bush is leading America to its downfall," he warned. "Once the bombs start falling, America will start rolling down the hill toward destruction. The America you now know, you'll never know again."

Farrakhan announced that he intends to slow down with his public speaking engagements because of his health concerns. He explained, however, that he "will be in-house working to strengthen the Nation." He told his followers that this would be his last speech before the possible U.S. war with Iraq.

Farrakhan was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1991 and was recently hospitalized for a bladder infection.

He said he was going to keep the speech short because of his health status, but the Minister went on to deliver his signature-style speech–a powerful, strong, eloquent address, which lasted more than two hours.

In a related matter, Farrakhan has written two personal letters to Bush, giving his insight on what a war on Iraq would mean for America. He also traveled to the Middle East with Muslim and Christian clergy on a peace mission in order to avert a war.

Farrakhan's Saviours' Day message, "America At The Crossroads: War Is Not The Answer," was viewed via satellite in 100 locations throughout the United States and abroad.

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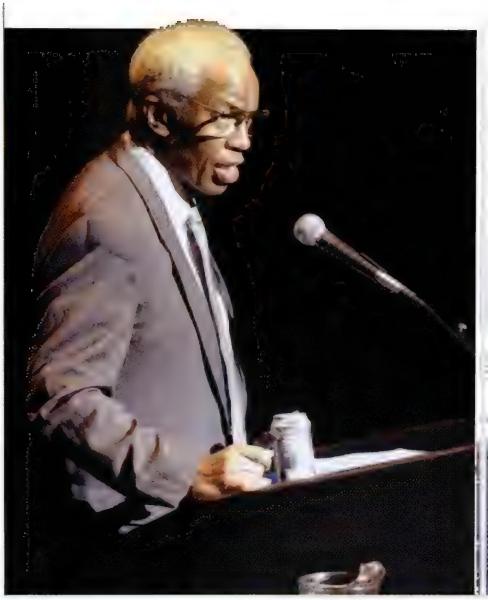

▶ **HISTORIC ASTRONAUT:** Former space shuttle astronaut Guion S. Bluford Jr., the first Black to fly in space, talks about his experiences as an astronaut during a lecture at the University of South Florida in Tampa, FL. Bluford, who logged more than 688 hours in space, retired from NASA in 1993. He was inducted into the International Space Hall of Fame in 1997. The National Society of Black Engineering Alumni as part of the university lecture series arranged Bluford's appearance. Currently, he is vice president of Microgravity Research & Development and Operations for Northrop Grumman Corp.

▼ **3.5 MILLION REASONS TO SMILE:** Monroe and Wanda Davis of Flossmoor, IL, show off the commemorative check for their $3.5 million Illinois Lottery Lotto prize. The couple, both 40, have been playing the Lotto game for years. They won the Nov. 16, 2002, drawing, but only recently claimed their prize because they've been consulting financial advisers and "wanted to celebrate a new year and a new beginning," they said. Monroe purchased the ticket at a Golden Hen Pantry in Country Club Hills, a Chicago suburb. The winning numbers were 09-10-24-41-48-49. Although the happy pair are millionaires, Monroe, a public utility worker, and wife Wanda, a government employee, say they will keep their jobs. They plan to use their Lotto winnings to finance their two daughters' college tuitions, pay off debts and buy new cars. And Monroe wants to fulfill a lifelong dream of taking his family to Hawaii. "I've always wanted to see the blue waters and white sand there," he said.

▲SBC EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENT: Renowned photographer and photojournalist Monica Morgan (c) receives the SBC Ameritech African American Excellence Award from Gail Torreano (l), president of SBC Michigan, and Donna Burke, SBC vice president of external affairs, during ceremonies at the Museum of African American History in Detroit. Morgan was honored for her use of technology in arts and culture. She uses digital photography to shoot, store and transmit her images to save time as well as to improve the quality of the art. The awards ceremony is part of the SBC Living the Dream Series, a statewide effort to recognize individuals who have advanced the culture and community of an ethnic/minority population in Michigan.

◀ **'THE JACKIE WILSON STORY':** Tony Award-winning singer-actress Melba Moore joins actor Chester Gregory II in the original musical *The Jackie Wilson Story*. Gregory portrays legendary R&B singer Jackie Wilson and Moore is his mother, Eliza Mae Wilson. The musical, written, produced and directed by Jackie Taylor, originated in Chicago at the Black Ensemble Theater and is now on a U.S. tour, including stops in Memphis at the Cannon Center for the Performing Arts and then to the world-famous Apollo Theater in Harlem, NY, beginning April 3.

Ex-Baseball Star Cecil Fielder Wins $415,000 For Unauthorized Use Of His Name By Decorator

Former baseball major leaguer Cecil Fielder has found out that his name is at least worth $415,000.

An interior decorator who used the name of Fielder without his permission was recently ordered to pay the three-time All-Star $415,000.

Cecil Fielder

A jury ordered Robert Weinstein to pay civil damages for mentioning Fielder as a client in news articles and using his name in ads for his interior design firm.

Fielder, who batted .255 and hit 319 home runs with 1,008 RBIs in his 13-year career, used Weinstein's services for a $1.3 million redecoration of his home in Melbourne, FL. The two had a falling-out in 1998.

Fielder's attorney in the case, Daniel Rosenbaum, said the verdict "sends a message to the public that you can't steal a celebrity's name."

Weinstein's attorney, Richard Gaunt, said his client stopped using Fielder's name as soon as he learned that law prohibited it. He said Weinstein plans to appeal.

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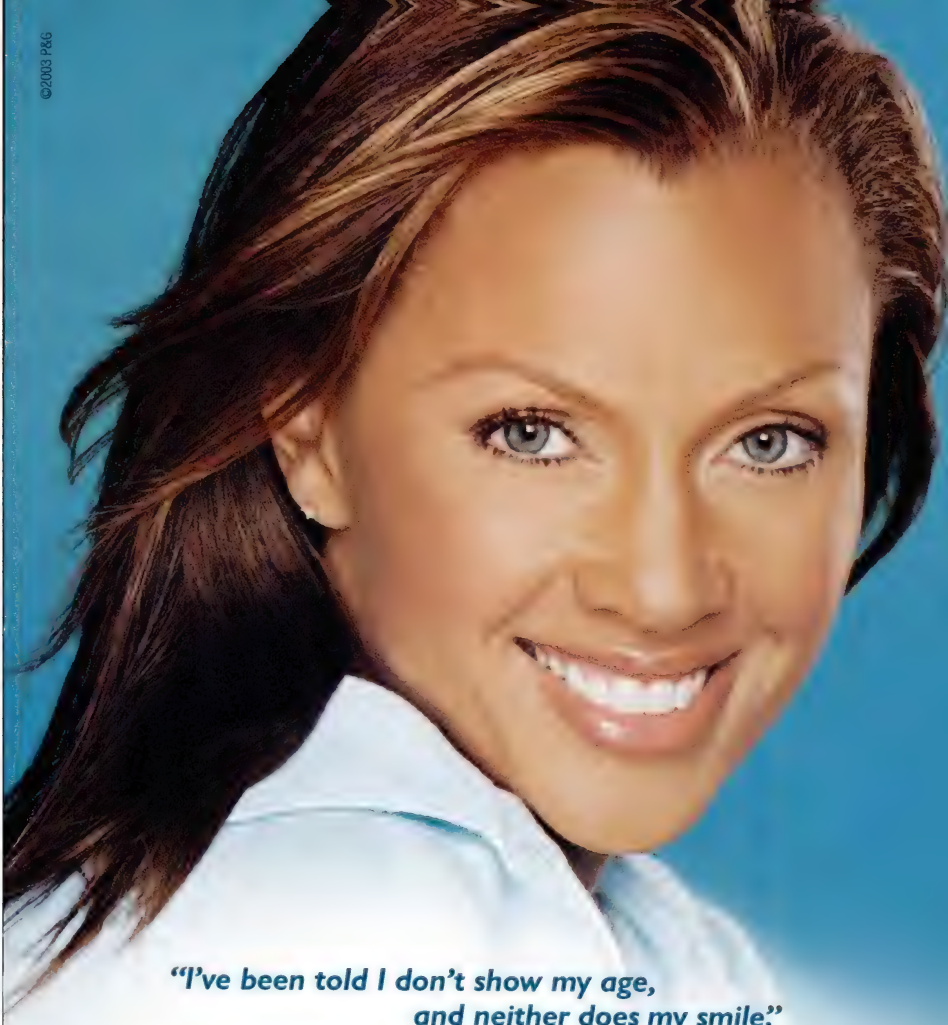

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Oprah Gives $5 Million To Morehouse College

Oprah Winfrey

TV talk show host Oprah Winfrey has committed to give $5 million to Morehouse College in Atlanta, the college recently announced.

Winfrey's donation came as Morehouse launched its largest-ever fund-raising campaign, "The Campaign for a New Century."

She has given a total of $7 million to Morehouse since 1989.

In 1989, she gave the college her first gift of $1 million, which funded the Oprah Winfrey Endowment Scholarship Fund. In 1997, the year following the start of the Morehouse fund-raising campaign, she made another $1 million gift to support scholarships.

"Oprah Winfrey is, indeed, a great friend to Morehouse," said Morehouse College President Walter E. Massey. "She shares our vision for excellence in higher education and is making significant investments in that vision. As a result, the young men who have benefited from her generosity are carrying on a legacy of leadership of which we all can be proud."

"The Campaign for a New Century," with a goal of $105 million, is the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the college's 136-year history. To date, more than $70 million has been raised. One of the four components of the campaign is to fund student scholarships. The campaign will run through June 2006.

Since the inception of the Oprah Winfrey Endowed Scholarship Fund, 203 students from 20 states and seven countries have benefited from the fund, the college announced.

Michigan Governor Granholm Files Brief Supporting Affirmative Action

Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm recently joined the wave of patronage that is backing the University of Michigan when she filled a brief with the U.S. Supreme Court in support of the school's affirmative action admissions policies.

"The University of Michigan is right to strive for a diverse student body," said Granholm. "Such diversity clearly helps to fulfill the University's educational mission by helping to ensure its students are exposed to a diverse community of citizens, opinions and thinking."

Jennifer Granholm

As a former Michigan attorney general, Granholm, a Democrat, filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the case on the state's behalf in 2001 before a feder-

al appeals court.

In January Bush said that he supports diversity in higher education, but said Michigan "unfairly rewards or penalizes students based solely on their race." The next day, the administration filed a brief urging the Supreme Court to strike down the university's policies (JET, Feb. 3). The high court has scheduled oral arguments for April 1.

"I am proud to support the University and believe the Supreme Court justices will agree that the University's admissions policies do not violate the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment," Granholm said. Three Whites, including a law school applicant, who claimed they were passed over in favor of less-qualified minority students, sued the university in 1997.

▼ **FIGHTING FOR EDUCATION:** Arkansas Democratic representatives (l-r) Robert White, John Eason, R. Dwayne Dobbins, Calvin Johnson and Sen. Henry Wilkins gather for an Arkansas Legislative Black Caucus news conference at the Capitol in Little Rock, AR. White and the others announced the results of an Arkansas Legislative Black Caucus report on public education in Arkansas where they recommended improving educational opportunities for minorities by enhancing courses offered in the schools in the eastern Delta of the state. The caucus also suggested mandatory preschool for children in low-performing districts and greater access to summer and after-school programs for those who need extra help. Arkansas is under a Jan. 1 state Supreme Court deadline to devise a plan to provide equal educational opportunities for all of its 450,000 public schoolchildren. The high court declared the school funding unconstitutional last November. "We are close," said Johnson, House Education Committee Chairman. "I'm very optimistic that we can work something out."

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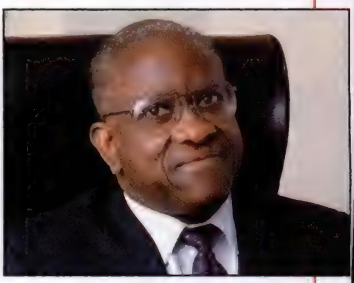
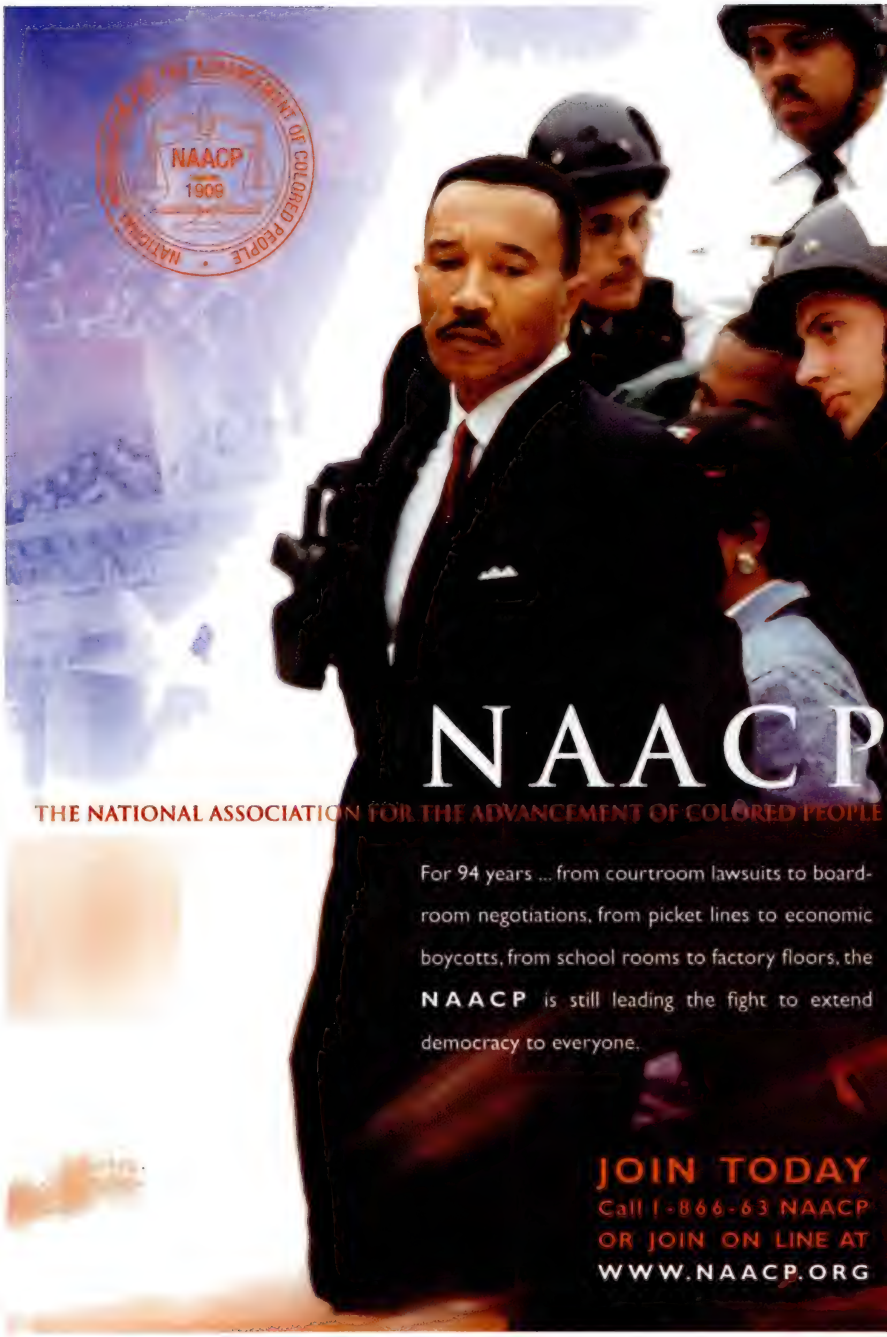
◄ The **Selma To Montgomery Civil Rights March** began on this day. A group of civil rights demonstrators marched from Selma to the state Capitol in Montgomery, AL, to protest the denial of voting rights for Blacks. It was intended as a memorial march for Jimmy Lee Jackson, who was shot and later died during a voting rights march weeks earlier. En route to the Capitol, law enforcement officials violently assaulted the crowd, beating them with whips, clubs, tear gas and nightsticks as they attempted to cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge. This violent confrontation, which was seen on television, shocked the nation and became known as "Bloody Sunday." Two weeks later, 25,000 marchers joined Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., under the protection of a federal court, and completed the historic march.



March 9, 1966 —

► **Andrew Felton Brimmer**, economist and teacher, became the first Black named a governor of the Federal Reserve Board on this day. A native of Newellton, LA, Brimmer served in the Army during World War II and later earned a Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University. President Lyndon B. Johnson appointed Brimmer, one of the most prominent Black economists in the nation, to the Federal Reserve Board. After eight years, he left and pursued other ventures, which included heading his own financial consulting firm, Brimmer and Company, Inc. In 1995 he was named to head a financial control board that steered the District of Columbia through a financial crisis. He left that post in May 1998. Currently Brimmer is President of Brimmer & Company, Inc., a Washington, D.C.-based economic and financial consulting firm.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Home Of America's First Black Civil Rights Leader Excavated In Philadelphia

The National Park Service is excavating the site of the home of America's first Black civil rights leader in hopes of securing important relics from his historic past.

A viewing platform has been erected to observe the search for materials belonging to the late James Dexter. The former slave is considered founder of the nation's first human rights organization and a founder of the nation's first Black Protestant Episcopal church.

Over the past 200 years, his contributions to the city had vanished from the public record. Not until the Park Service began building a $137.5 million Constitution Center on the city's Independence Mall was the forgotten hero recalled.

The building will be completed this July. And it was discovered that adjacent land was once owned by Dexter. A former coachman, Dexter bought his freedom and that of his wife. He went on to found the Free African Society in 1787, the nation's first Black self-help organization.

Blacks insisted an archaeological survey be done so as not to wipe out historical relics of Dexter.

Arthur Sudler, a leader of St. Thomas' African Episcopal Church, which Dexter helped found, praised the Park Service for relenting and finally approving the excavation. "Too often stories of African-Americans like Dexter are left in the ground," he said.

Former Altar Boy Acquitted Of Wounding Priest; Sentenced To Gun Charges

A man acquitted of trying to kill the priest who allegedly abused him as a boy was recently sentenced to 18 months of house arrest on gun charges as well as three years' probation.

On Dec. 16 of last year Dontee Stokes, 26, was cleared of attempted murder, reckless endangerment and assault for shooting and wounding the Rev. Maurice Blackwell, 56, outside the priest's home (JET, June 3, 2002).

Stokes admitted that he shot Blackwell but claimed temporary insanity, saying he blacked out while confronting him about the alleged sexual abuse that occurred when he was an altar boy a decade earlier.

Stokes could have gotten seven years in jail for illegally carrying and firing a handgun.

"To walk away with 18 months of home detention takes a huge burden off the shoulders of Dontee Stokes," said his attorney Warren Brown. "The things that happened to Dontee in his youth will follow him the rest of his life. There's no greater punishment than that."

After the trial, jurors gave the presiding judge, John Prevas, a note asking him to be lenient. Outside court, some jurors said Stokes was a victim who had suffered enough and did not deserve a prison sentence (JET, Jan. 13).

Blackwell was removed from the pulpit in 1998 following other abuse allegations.

▲ **FORD'S MINORITY DEALERS MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO:** During the recent awards banquet at the Ford Motor Minority Dealers Association (FMMDA) 24th Annual Conference in San Francisco, Jeff Burns, Jr. (3rd, l), EBONY Magazine associate publisher, and Dennis H. Boston (2nd, r), EBONY Midwest advertising director, welcome (l-r) Nathaniel Sutton, president of FMMDA and Sutton Ford in Matteson, IL; James G. O' Connor, Ford Motor Co. group vice president and president North American marketing sales and services; the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr. founder-president Rainbow/PUSH Coalition; and Darryl Hazel, president of the Lincoln-Mercury Co. Some 500 Ford, Lincoln-Mercury, Jaguar, Volvo, Mazda, Range Rover and Aston-Martin dealers, company executives and vendors gathered for the conference held at the Argent Hotel. At the Publisher's Luncheon (below) EBONY Outstanding Dealers of the Year James Ross, president of Ford of Montebello in Montebello, CA (2nd, l), and Joseph Alvarez, president of Gainesville Ford in Gainesville, FL, are presented awards by Boston and Burns. This year marked EBONY's 20th year of sponsorship for the FMMDA event. Ford Motor Company has more Black dealers than any other automobile company.

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▲ **Thoughts Of You:** Chantel Beatrice Greats pledged her eternal love to Derrick Griffith Sr. during a double-ring ceremony at the Calvary St. Cyprians Church in Brooklyn, NY. The bride earned a master's degree from Brooklyn College. She is a secretary to the deputy chancellor of the Board of Education. The groom is a graduate of New York Technical College. He is a field supervisor for Verizon. The newlyweds will make Brooklyn their home.

► **United In Grace:** Kenneth Parks exchanged marital vows during an enchanted ceremony with Cynthia R. Jones at the Antioch North Baptist Church in Atlanta. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Georgia State University. The bride is CEO and president of Jones Worley Design. The groom is a business manager at United Parcel Service. The newlyweds celebrated their love by honeymooning in Maui. Atlanta will be the place of their residence.

▲ **God's Light:** Kelvin Desmond Gibson and Kimberly Dawn Jefferson joined as one in matrimony at the Hyatt Regency Pier 66 Hotel in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. The bride earned a master's of public health degree from Nova Southeastern University. The groom is a graduating senior in the industrial engineering program at the University of Central Florida. The couple, who met at the University of Florida, will honeymoon in Jamaica and live in Orlando.

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▲ **A Jewel To Cherish:** The former Donnaka Darneé Mount became the wife of Anton Dene Lewis at the University of Maryland Memorial Chapel in College Park, MD. The pair both earned degrees from Hampton University. The happy bride is an attorney. The proud groom is a captain in the United States Army. Currently, the lovebirds are making their home in Detroit. They plan to return to Maryland later this year.

▲ **Oh So Satisfied:** Brandon Troy McBride united in holy matrimony with Brandi Nicole Burrell at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Baton Rouge, LA. Both the bride and the bridegroom are graduates of Southern University in Baton Rouge. The bride is employed at the Speech & Hearing Foundation. The groom is director of front office management with Six Continent Hotels and Resort in New Orleans. Baton Rouge is where the couple will reside.

◄ **Love-Abiding Faith:** Mr. Henry Alexander and his loving wife, Hettie, recently celebrated 50 years of marriage by renewing their vows before family and friends at the Crystal Light Banquet Hall in Burbank, IL. The Alexanders are both retirees from the Chicago Board of Education. They are the proud parents of two sons and four grandchildren.

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GRAINS: The Foundation For A Healthy Diet

Bread, pasta and rice have been getting bad raps lately, namely because they're carbohydrates and carbs are now synonymous with calories—and excess pounds. Since diet misinformation abounds, many people shun foods made from wheat, rice, oats, corn and other grains from fear of weight gain. But ditching them does your body a disservice since grains are essential to a healthy, balanced diet.

Grains provide vitamins, minerals and complex carbohydrates (starch and dietary fiber) that are vital for good health, and they're low in fat, nutrition experts say. Whole grains can help lower cholesterol and protect you from chronic diseases, and the fiber they contain keeps your digestive system running smoothly. The following tips will help you make grains part of your healthy diet:

- **GET STRAIGHT ON SERVINGS.** Calories, whether or not they come from bread, pasta and other grains, cause weight gain when you consume too many of them. (It takes about 3,500 calories to gain one pound). Federal guidelines recommend we eat at least six servings of grains daily. But a serving is not a plate-sized portion. For instance, one serving of grains equals a slice of bread, a cup of cereal or a ½ cup of rice or pasta. If weight loss is your aim, tailor your servings to meet your needs.

- **EAT THE "WHOLE" GRAIN.** Whole grains like oatmeal and whole oats, brown and wild rice, bulgur, whole-wheat bread and rye bread, pearl barley, whole-grain corn, whole-wheat flour, graham flour and popcorn are nutritional powerhouses. Mainly because they contain the entire grain kernel (bran, germ and endosperm), which is full of fiber, vitamin E and B vitamins, carbohydrates, protein and antioxidants. However, refined grains like white rice, wheat flour and enriched bread are stripped of their bran and germ, which houses many of the vitamins, minerals and fiber. Although some refined grains are enriched with vitamins and nutrients after processing, they often lack the fiber of whole grains.

- **BE LABEL SAVVY.** Putting more whole-grain foods in your diet is easy when you read the label. The whole grain should be the first ingredient listed. But watch out for products labeled multi-grain, stone-ground, 100% wheat, cracked wheat, seven-grain or bran, which experts say usually are not whole-grain foods.

- **DIVERSIFY.** Include a variety of whole and refined grains on your daily menu. Eat oatmeal, grits, cornflakes or whole-wheat flakes, English muffins and bagels for breakfast. Make sandwiches with rye or whole-wheat bread. Put pearl barley in soups and bulgur on salads. Serve brown or wild rice, or whole-wheat pasta for dinner. Snack on popcorn or baked tortilla chips. Remember, diversity is the cornerstone of a healthy diet and grains provide an excellent foundation.

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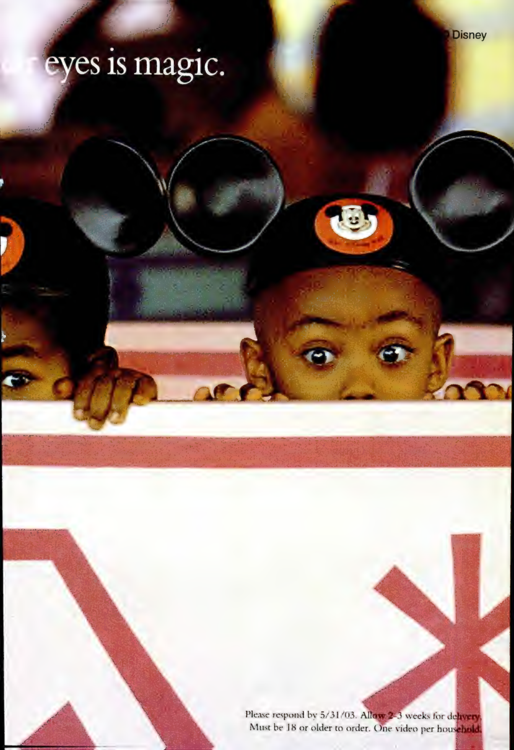

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Shaq Surprises Wife With Private, Romantic Dinner At Restaurant

Shaquille O'Neal kisses his wife Shaunie Nelson at the Avenue restaurant in Beverly Hills. O'Neal bought out the restaurant and even helped cook the meal for a romantic evening with his new wife.

▲ *O'Neal, wearing a chef's hat emblazoned with the name "Chef O'Neal," serves a salad to his wife Shaunie Nelson during the romantic dinner.*

Los Angeles Lakers superstar Shaquille O'Neal recently surprised his newlywed wife with a private, six-course dinner he helped cook at an exclusive restaurant in Beverly Hills.

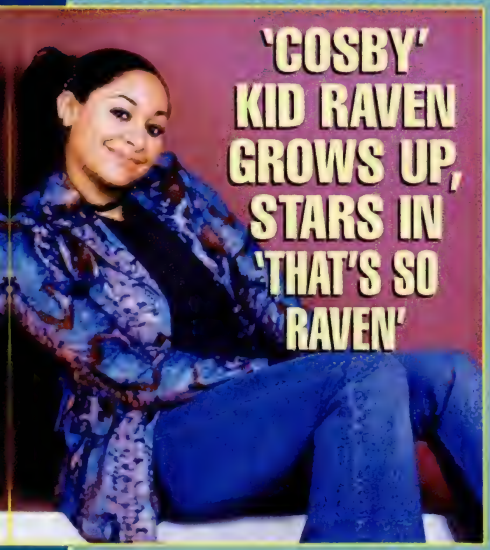
O'Neal bought out Avenue restaurant so that he could help prepare steamed Alaskan King crab legs, rib-eye steak, roasted lamb and chicken for new bride Shaunie Nelson, said chef Andrew DeGroot.

"He was having fun in there, though he didn't seem like an experienced cook," DeGroot said.

O'Neal wore an apron and chef's hat emblazoned with the name "Chef O'Neal." He signed autographs for the staff and, at one point, smiled for a photographer with a fudge stain on his teeth.

"Candles were everywhere, red rose petals were scattered on the floor and music was playing....It was a really romantic moment," DeGroot said.

O'Neal and Nelson married in late December and are expecting a boy in May. They have two children together and two from prior relationships.



'COSBY' KID RAVEN GROWS UP, STARS IN 'THAT'S SO RAVEN'

Raven-Symone won America's heart as the adorable three-year-old Olivia on the long-running hit series, "The Cosby Show" years ago.

Now, at age 17, she goes by the name Raven and is starring in her own TV sitcom, "That's So Raven" on the Disney Channel.

"I'm getting older and it's a lot easier for me, a lot more personal and makes the public feel closer," she says of her name change. "Raven-Symone is so long, and it is better on my papers in school. They don't misspell it," she laughs.

On the new sitcom, Raven stars as a confident, charismatic teen whose ability to see flashes of the future compel her to embark on a series of comical misadventures. She's not exactly clairvoyant, but she can see just enough of what's to come and tries to change it.

Multi-talented, Raven also sings the show's theme song and recently completed a music video for the song.

She is joined by cast members Rondell Sheridan ("Minor Adjustments") and T'Keyah Crystal Keymáh ("In Living Color"), as her parents; Kyle Orlando Massey as her brother, Cory; and Orlando Brown and Anneliese van der Pol as her best friends.

She admits she was too young to remember much about making "The Cosby Show." "I was looking at it today. But I remember the people; they were like my family."

Raven also starred as Nicole in "Hangin' with Mr. Cooper" and played Eddie Murphy's rebellious daughter in *Dr. Doolittle* and *Dr. Doolittle 2*. She released a hit single, *That's What Little Girls Are Made Of*, when she was five. More recently, she toured with N'Sync to support her latest CD, *Unforgettable*.

She will star in the upcoming Disney TV movie, *Cheetah Girls* with the hit group 3LW.

She remembers advice from Cosby that has stayed with her. " 'Stay professional and always stay sweet.' I haven't been the kid on the set that throws temper tantrums. Thanks Mr. Cosby. His advice has gotten me this far. I also thank him for giving me the chance."

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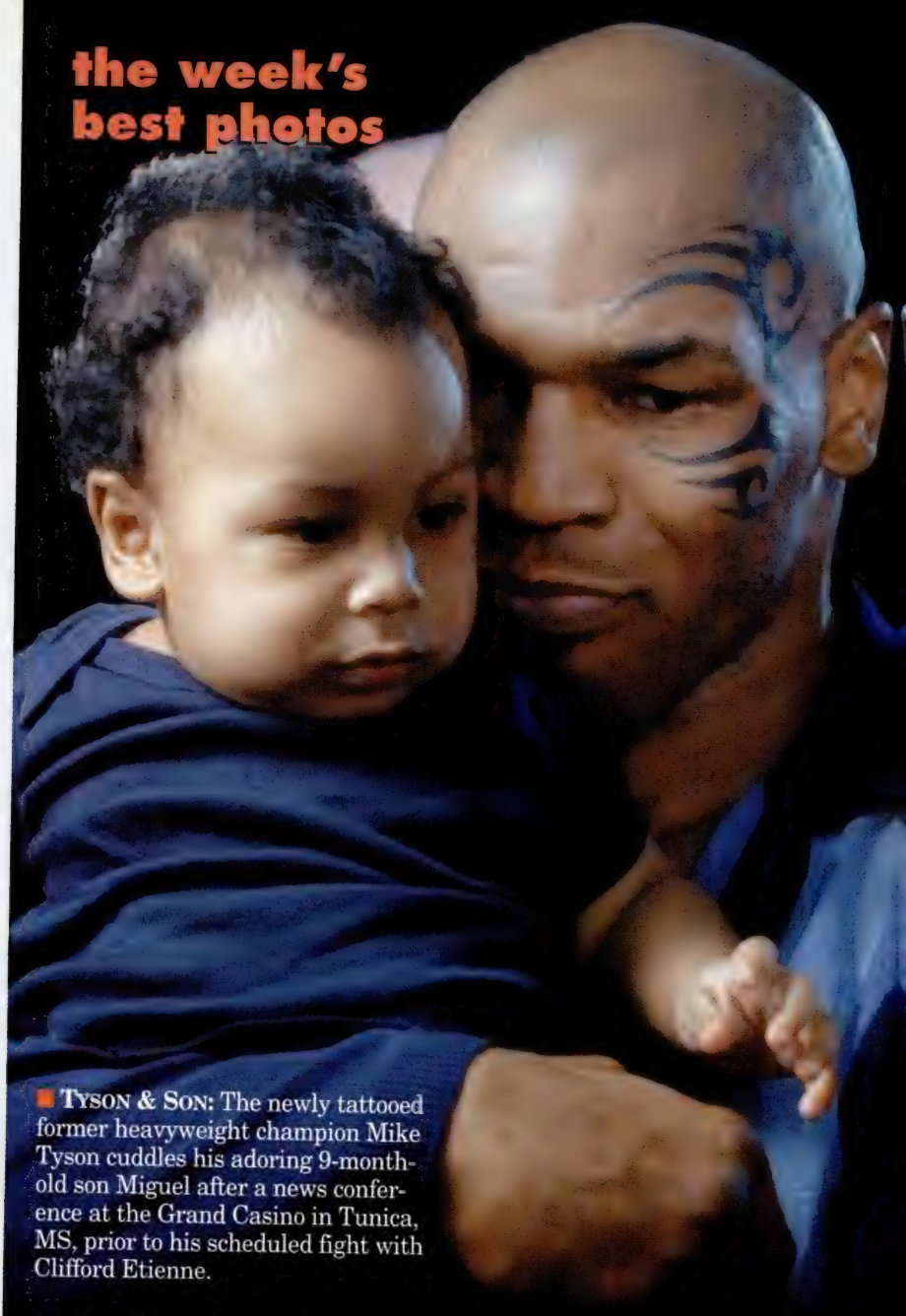

Tyson & Son: The newly tattooed former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson cuddles his adoring 9-month-old son Miguel after a news conference at the Grand Casino in Tunica, MS, prior to his scheduled fight with Clifford Etienne.

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beauty of the week

NICHOLE STEVENS is from Stone Mountain, GA. She enjoys basketball, swimming and dancing.

Photo by Raquel Riley

■ **SULTRY SERENA:** No. 1-ranked women's pro tennis player Serena Williams, who's known for her blazing serves and fiery play on court, shows she's just as hot off-court with this pose in the new Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition.

CASINO CELEBRATION: Soul legend Martha Reeves joins longtime vocal group the Dramatics at the first-year anniversary celebration of Fitzgerald Casino Hotel in Las Vegas, owned by Don H. Barden.

Can A Couple Remain Celibate Before Marriage?

▲ *Retired NBA star A.C. Green, who wed Veronique Green last year, proudly proclaimed himself a virgin. He says that being celibate helped him to clearly define what he wanted in a woman.*

Sex may be a small word, but engaging in it nowadays can have big consequences. Unwanted pregnancies, incurable sexually transmitted diseases, and AIDS have made many people visit celibacy, a state of sexual abstinence for religious reasons or as a personal choice, until marriage.

Being celibate, as defined by experts, means no sexual intercourse –genital or anal–and no stimulation of a sex organ orally or with hands belonging to another.

Celibacy is all or none, experts say. There is no "in between." But can it really be done, especially if you've met the person you want to spend the rest of your life with? Can a couple remain celibate before marriage?

Retired NBA star A.C. Green, 38, not only remained celibate before marrying Veronique Green last year, but he was a virgin! The couple were friends for two years.

"Remaining celibate was the best decision for me to have a level of self-confidence to reach career goals on and off the court," says the reigning NBA Iron Man who played in 1,192 consecutive games, spanning 15 seasons. "I wanted to start developing good habits (i.e., commitment, self-control and faithfulness) as a single man that could only grow stronger as a married man."

Green, who has a youth foundation which educates on sexual abstinence and other issues, says his high- profile status never made it difficult for him to resist constant tests and temptations.

"First, and most importantly, I chose not to focus on the spotlight," he says. "I placed my focus on walking with Christ daily. Secondly, I kept thinking about reaching my goals. Lastly, I did not worry about what people said or thought of my decision, and I could not compromise nor negotiate what I believed."

Adrienne Evans, author of *Who Are You Sleeping With Now? A Guide To Catching A Man God's Way*, believes that with effort and planning, a couple can remain celibate before marriage.

"You can't just say you want to do this and expect to walk it through

▶ *Planning is needed for a couple to remain celibate says Adrienne Evans, author of* Who Are You Sleeping With Now? A Guide To Catching A Man God's Way.

without a plan," says Evans, a resident of Chicago Ridge, IL. "You will need specific standards in order for a celibate relationship to be effective."

Understanding your limitations as well as your mate's limitations is a must, points out Evans.

"I wouldn't consider kissing as going too far, but kisses can be very passionate. For some a kiss could lead to other things. You need to understand yourself as well as your partner. A woman might be able to have some level of intimacy with a hug and kiss and stop there. Women are more emotional. But because men are more visual and physical, a woman's presence alone could stimulate a man. It may be difficult for a man to stop with a hug or kiss."

Clifton A. Goins IV, an equity analyst, and his wife, Janelle A. Goins, a clinical pharmacist, remained celibate before wedding last year. When they began dating a couple of years ago, both were at a point where they were rededicating their lives to Christ.

Explains Janelle, "We believe this is what God intended for us to save in order to consummate marriage. That's when the two become one. Because of our reverence for God, we waited until getting married."

Remaining celibate had its challenges, asserts the couple, but they made it happen.

"All things are possible when you make a decision to do something," says Clifton. "You have to do things differently because you don't want to get caught in a bad situation. There's no cookie cutter approach to dating."

Janelle says that having a "strong" man will help a woman to remain celibate before he asks for her hand in marriage. "For men sex is a need. It

▶ *Newlyweds Clifton A. Goins IV and Janelle A. Goins were celibate before marrying last year because they believe that sex consummates a marriage.*

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◀ *Rev. Dr. Sheron Patterson says that it is possible, but not easy, for couples to remain celibate before marriage. "It is hard work," she says. "It's an uphill climb."*

really takes a man to be focused in order for the woman to be supported and for the couple to remain celibate. He must be centered on Christ. It's easier for a man to be tempted than for a woman. The man can set the tone and remove himself from a situation when he's strong."

Celibacy before marriage is possible, but not easy, says the Rev. Dr. Sheron Patterson, senior pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church in Dallas.

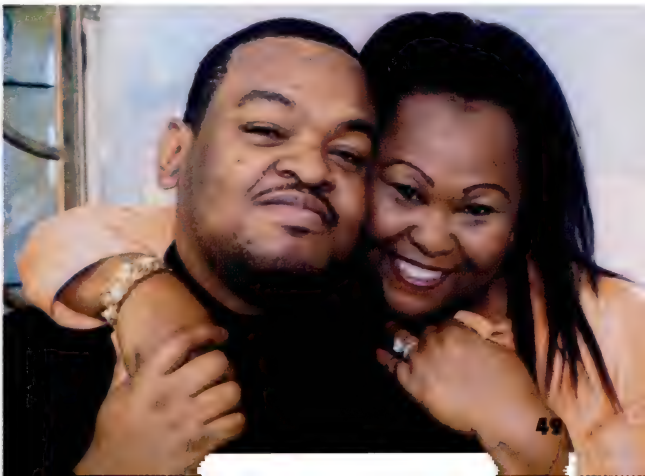
"You must be willing to pay the price and anticipate the pain associated with being celibate–rejection, ridicule and loneliness," says Patterson, who has a Love Clinic and authored the book, *The Love Clinic: How To Heal Relationships In A Christian Spirit.*

She warns that celibacy doesn't guarantee a mate. "You can't go into it bargaining with God. Celibacy is hard work, but you must hold out and be faithful because God is faithful."

Relationship expert-author Dr. Grace Cornish and husband, research chemist-geologist Richard Livingstone, recently married, but were celibate while dating.

Cornish, whose new book is *You Deserve Healthy Love, Sis!,* says that if a couple decides to be celibate before marriage, they must be honest with their reason why.

"I know a lot of people who say they are celibate for religious reasons, but they are pretending," she says. "You have to be honest with why you are celibate or you will sneak and do things if you choose celibacy because a religion is telling you not to have sex. It comes down to your spiritual contract with God and where you are in



▶ *Dr. Grace Cornish and husband, Richard Livingstone, say their "spiritual contracts" with God helped them to remain celibate before marriage.*

your life. Celibacy is a choice.

"A lot of people end up in pain when they have sex before they know a person. Make sure that someone shows you total affection as an individual before getting into the physical part of it. You're worth the wait."

—*Margena A. Christian*

Tips For Remaining Celibate Before Marriage

Have Positive Reinforcement From Like-Minded People

•"You need to be around people who empower and encourage you to stay strong," says Green, who surrounded himself with people committed to abstinence. "There's no substitute for having good friends who believe like you and believe in you."

Do Things Differently

•"Don't put yourself in situations where things can happen. You don't need to be lying around each other on a Friday night around midnight. That's too tempting. It's about making good, practical decisions," says Clifton Goins IV.

Don't Date After Dark

•"Refuse to date after dark because when it's dark, the romantic juices start to flow," says Patterson.

Date With Another

•"I often (brought) a friend with me instead of being alone with a woman," says Green. "It (was) easier to control myself when someone (was) there with me, holding me accountable."

•"Meet out instead of at each other's house. Also, you can date with other couples. You learn to date differently," says Clifton Goins IV.

Avoid sexually provocative music and images

•"Slow bump and grind music isn't what you should listen to," says Patterson. "You shouldn't go to movies with suggestive scenes either because that encourages you to have sex."

•"Listening to slow songs, especially alone, will make you want to fall in love," says Cornish. "You will fantasize and get carried away."

Inform Dates That You're Celibate

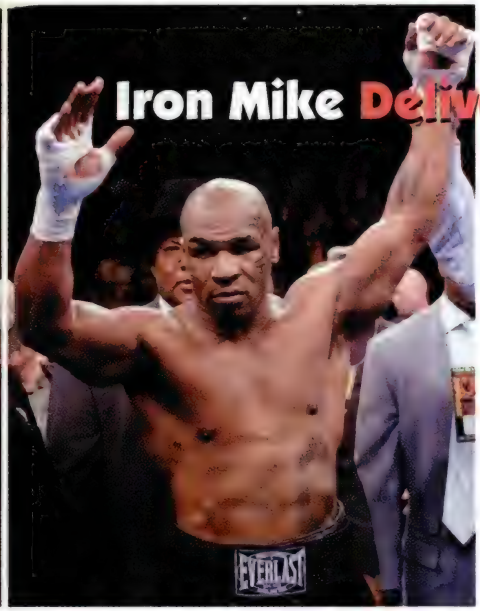
•"This is a good testing ground," says Cornish. "If that person really likes you, he or she will stick around. If not, that person will disappear. Love doesn't hurt. If a person really loves and respects you, he or she will wait and be there."

•"Telling a person you're celibate up front gives a person a chance to bow out early," explains Patterson. "But, you'll have those trying to wear you down to see how committed you are. You must know that once a person gives in, the person tempting you will cut you loose. It's a game for the non-celibate person and you lose when you participate."

Think About Your Future

•"I didn't let myself be drawn in by a woman who wanted to get me," says Green. "If I gave in to the pressure, I would have been sorry for it later. I thought ahead about the actions I took in a situation."

Iron Mike Delivers 49-second KO



▲ *Former undisputed heavyweight champion Mike Tyson raises his hand in victory after his first round knockout of Clifford Etienne at the Pyramid in Memphis, TN.*

The Iron Mike Tyson did not disappoint his fans; he is still full of surprises.

Tyson performed like he was 21 years old again in the boxing ring and easily knocked out Clifford Etienne in just 49 seconds (his sixth fastest KO) into the first round at the Pyramid arena in Memphis, TN.

Tyson unloaded a savage right hand and within seconds–literally–Etienne (24-2-1) was knocked flat on his back in the middle of the ring and he lay there as referee Bill Clancy counted him out while a fight that seemed destined never to happen came to a sudden end.

Tyson (50-4, 44KOs) then leaned over and helped Etienne to his feet as

▶ *Vintage-Tyson delivered a crushing right hand punch that landed square on Etienne's jaw.*

◀ *The blow sent Etienne to the canvas, sprawled on his back. Referee Bill Clancy counted him out and in 49 seconds the fight was over.*

the crowd of 15,171 erupted.

"Maybe I'm just a domesticated animal," the 36-year-old Tyson said. In the week leading up to the match, Tyson called off the fight after missing nearly a week of workouts. After Tyson changed his mind to fight after all, Etienne, "The Black Rhino," said he wasn't going to fight. However, he thought better of it and Etienne was paid a monstrous $1 million for the debacle.

"I canceled too many fights in my career," said Tyson, who admitted going into the fight unprepared. "I wasn't afraid. He needed the money. I always need money." Tyson earned $5 million for the bout.

The youngest fighter to win the heavyweight title 17 years ago, Tyson made it clear that he was not ready for a rematch with heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis, who humiliated Tyson last June. "I need more fights. I don't want to get beat up again," Tyson said. "I need to go back to the gym. If I can have two or three more fights, then maybe I can fight him."

All-Star Guards Payton And Allen Trade Teams In Five-Player Deal

Gary Payton

Ray Allen

Don't worry; your eyes aren't playing tricks on you.

After playing his entire NBA career in Seattle for 12 ½ seasons, Gary Payton is sporting the purple Milwaukee Bucks jersey while Ray Allen dons the green and gold Seattle SuperSonics uniform.

Both All-Stars swapped teams in a blockbuster five-player deal minutes before the NBA trading deadline. Along with Payton, Desmond Mason was traded to the Bucks, and the Sonics received guards Kevin Ollie and rookie Ronald Murray. Seattle also received a conditional 2003 first-round draft pick.

Payton, 34, a nine-time All-Star guard, is reunited with coach George Karl who coached him for seven years in Seattle. Payton, nicknamed "The Glove" for his extraordinary defense, was averaging 20.8 points and 8.8 assists for the Sonics.

Although it was not a huge surprise for the Sonics to trade Payton, whose contract expires after this season, it was much more shocking to see the Bucks give up Allen–their leading scorer with a 21.3-point average.

Allen, 27, a six-year veteran and three-time All-Star, spent his entire career with Milwaukee. Bucks general manager Ernie Grunfeld's asking price was high, getting the Sonics to include one of their most promising youngsters in Mason. The 25-year-old former slam dunk champion was Seattle's best reserve, averaging 14.1 points and 7.0 rebounds.

◀ **YOUNG AT HEART:** Who said Michael Jordan was going to slow down at age 40? Four days after his fortieth birthday, Michael Jordan scored 43 points in 43 minutes, becoming the first 40-year-old in NBA history to score 40 or more. He also found a sudden burst of speed to make the game-winning layup as the Washington Wizards beat the New Jersey Nets 89-86. "I told the guys, I've got 28 games left; I'm going down with no bullets," the All-Star said. "I'm going all out. It's the end of my career, and I don't want to see it end in a negative way. I want to see it end positive. I want to have fun." Jordan also had 10 rebounds, four steals and made the hustle move of the night, sprawling on the floor to save the ball after making a steal in the first quarter. "I don't feel like 40," Jordan said. "I feel good. I feel like I can compete, and on certain nights I can compete with the best. My effort's always going to be young, no matter how you look at it. My desire to win is always going to be young. My love for the game is always going to be young."

▶ **EXCITED DUO:** Duke's Iciss Tillis (r) hugs teammate Alana Beard in the closing minutes of the Blue Devils' 83-41 win over Wake Forest at Lawrence Joel Coliseum in Winston-Salem, NC. This victory marked Duke's 36th-straight conference game win. The lady Blue Devils team, known for its suffocating defense, has held opponents to 49 points or fewer four-straight games since Feb. 1. The Dynamic Duo, both All-American and in their junior year, are averaging 38.7 points out of Duke's 81.7 on the season. At JET press time, the 5-foot-11 Beard has been Duke's leading scorer 19 times, while the 6-foot-4 Tillis has led the Blue Devils in the other four games. The tandem is also Duke's top two rebounders.

India.Arie, Nelly, B.B. King, Herbie Hancock Are Double-Grammy Winners

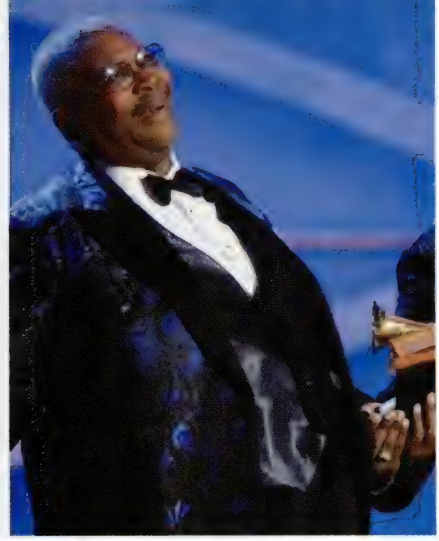
India.Arie who did not win any of the seven Grammy nominations she received last year, went home a big winner this year—with two coveted Grammy Awards.

India.Arie won a Grammy in the Urban/Alternative Performance category for her hit *Little Things* and also in the Best R&B album for *Voyage to India*.

Rap superstar Nelly, who performed his hits *Hot In Herre* and *Dilemma* with singer Kelly Rowland during

◀ *Singer India.Arie, who has cut off her trademark dreadlocks, sports her new look as she holds the two Grammy Awards she won for Best R&B Album and Best Urban/Alternative Performance at the recent Grammy Awards ceremony at Madison Square Garden in New York City.*

▼ *During Grammy Awards show, Nelly performs his hit* Hot In Herre, *which won him a Grammy. He also won a Grammy for* Dilemma, *his hit duet with singer Kelly Rowland. Rowland shows off her Grammy for* Dilemma.



▲ *Blues legend B.B. King accepts one of two Grammy honors he received during recent ceremony. At right, Jazz musician Herbie Hancock is overjoyed with the two Grammy Awards he won*

the recent televised awards ceremony, won in the Male rap solo Performance category for *Hot in Herre*. He also shared a Grammy with Rowland for the rap/sung collaboration for their No. 1 hit *Dilemma*.

Blues legend B.B. King also went home with two trophies—one in the Traditional Blues Album category for *A Christmas Celebration of Hope* and the Pop Instrumental Performance category for *Auld Lang Syne*.

Also winning double-Grammy honors was jazz great Herbie Hancock for *My Ship* (Best Jazz Instrumental Soloist) and for *Directions in Music* (Best Jazz Instrumental Album, Individual or Group), which he recorded with Roy Hargrove and Michael Brecker, also winners.

Newcomer Ashanti walked away with a Grammy for Contemporary R&B Album for the multiplatinum, *Ashanti*.

Superstar Mary J. Blige's tune *He Think I Don't Know*

◀ *Ashanti performs the tune* Dreams *during the recently 45th Annual Grammy Awards ceremony. She won a Grammy for her multiplatinum album,* Ashanti.

◀ *Superstar Usher examines his Grammy for* U Don't Have To Call *in the Best Male R&B Vocal Performance category.*

from her *No More Drama* album, won her a Grammy as best Female R&B Performance.

Usher was presented the Male R&B Performance Grammy for his top-selling single *U Don't Have To Call*.

Stevie Wonder and Take 6's collaboration on *Love's In Need Of Love Today* won a Grammy in the R&B performance by a Duo or Group category.

Soul vocalist Chaka Khan and the Funk Brothers won a Grammy in the Traditional R&B Vocal Performance category for their rendition of Marvin Gaye's *What's Goin' On* from the *Standing in the Shadows* of Motown soundtrack.

Erykah Badu, sporting a hot new Afro look, was awarded the Best R&B Song Grammy for *Love Of My Life (An Ode To Hip Hop)*. Also a winner was the man in her life, hit rapper Common, who is featured on the tune and co-wrote it along with Raphael Saadiq, Robert Ozuna, James Poyser and Glen Standridge, also winners.

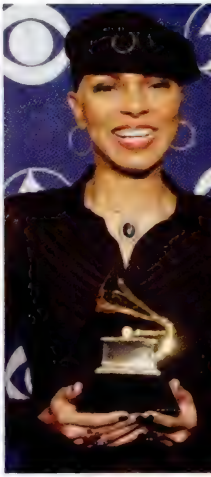
OutKast, joined by Killer Mike, walked away with a Grammy for *The Whole World* in the category of Rap Performance by a Duo Or Group.

Rap superstar Missy Elliott won in the Female Rap Solo performance category for *Scream a.k.a. Itchin'*.

Soul singer Solomon Burke won his first Grammy in the Contemporary Blues Album category for *Don't Give Up on Me*. "It took me 40 years to get up these steps," he said.

Newcomer contemporary gospel singer Eartha was a surprise win with her album *Sidebars* in the Best Contemporary Soul Gospel category. Veteran gospel group The Blind Boys of Alabama picked up a Grammy for

◀ *Erykah Badu holds the Grammy for Best R&B Song,* Love Of My Life (An Ode to Hip Hop), *at the recent televised awards ceremony in New York.*



▲ *Rapper-producer Missy Elliott is all smiles as she holds her Grammy. Veteran singer Solomon Burke holds Grammy for best Contemporary Blues Album. It was his first Grammy. "It took me 40 years to get up these steps," he said. New contemporary gospel soul singer Eartha is proud of her Grammy for the album,* Sidebars, *featuring the uplifting, R&B-flavored tune* I'm Still Standing.

Higher Ground in the Traditional Soul Gospel Album category.

Other winners included famed poet Maya Angelou for *A Song Flung Up To Heaven* (Best Spoken Word Album); The Brooklyn Tabernacle, Carol Cymbala, choir director, with *Be Glad* (Gospel Choir or Chorus Album); Lee "Scratch" Perry (Reggae Album) *Jamaican E.T.*; and Norman Brown (Pop Instrumental Album) *Just Chillin'*.

Lifetime Achievement awards went to legendary balladeer Johnny Mathis and blues-soul singer Etta James.

▼ *Veteran gospel group, the Blind Boys of Alabama, display Grammy Award backstage during the show, which aired live worldwide on CBS-TV from Madison Square Garden.*

'One On One' Is

The UPN sitcom "One On One" is winning the praises of Black families all across America with its comedic charm and positive message about the relationship between a father and his daughter. Now in its second season, "One On One," which airs on Monday nights at 8:30 ET/PT, has managed to beat out the competition by landing the top spot as the most-watched TV show in Black homes, according to a recent study conducted by the advertising agency BBDO. Also for the first time since the show's debut, the family comedy and its star, Flex Alexander, have both been nominated for a 2002 NAACP Image Award. "We relate to a core demographic of people who are shaping tomorrow," Flex tells JET. "We're just really happy that people have taken

Kyla Pratt (Breanna Washington) and Flex Alexander (Flex Washington) portray the father and daughter team Black households are tuning in to watch on the family comedy "One On One."

Cliff Lipson/UPN

The "One On One" cast members joining Pratt and Flex include (l-r) Robert Ri'chard (Arnaz), Sicily (Spirit) and Kelly Perine (Duane).

Cliff Lipson/UPN

to the show."

The half-hour sitcom, which premiered in September of 2001, focuses on the lives of Baltimore sportscaster and former pro basketball star Mark "Flex" Washington (Flex Anderson) and his feisty teenage daughter Breanna (Kyla Pratt). During the first season Flex, once a swinging bachelor who only spent "quality" summers with Breanna, took on the responsibilities of being a full-time parent when his ex-wife Nicole (Tichina Arnold) accepts a job out of the country.

This season viewers continue to tune in and watch the growing bond between the father-daughter duo as they take on the challenges that go hand in hand with growing up, including dating, heartache and peer pressure.

Michael Yarish/UPN

Tichina Arnold (c) plays Nicole, Breanna's mother and Flex's ex-wife, who occasionally drops in to offer some motherly advice.

The cast members rounding out the show are Kelly Perine as Flex's best friend Duane; Breanna's on again-off again love interest Arnaz, played by Robert Ri'chard; and her partner in crime Spirit, portrayed by Sicily.

Flex came up with the idea for the hit TV series (which took approximately four-and-a-half years to get off the ground) as he reminisced about an old friend who became a single dad during their teen years. He was also inspired, he adds, by a Coca-Cola commercial.

Many fans may remember Flex from the series "Homeboys in Outer Space" and the movie *The Sixth Man*. Once a dancer and a choreographer for the famed rap trio Salt 'n' Pepa, he had a recurring role as Darnell on UPN's "Girlfriends."

"What sparked [the idea] was when I saw an LL Cool J commercial that he did for Coca-Cola. He was trying to do his daughter's hair on the porch steps and the ponytails were all crooked," explains Flex. "So I thought about [the commercial] and my boy and I was like, 'That's a show!'"

Even though shows in the past like "The Courtship of Eddie's Father" have touch on single parenting, few have explored the topic from the perspective of a Black father.

"I wanted to have a show about an African-American male in a positive environment who's taking care of his responsibilities and not being the so-called statistic of the deadbeat dad. That's the rep that a lot of Black men get sometimes. I wanted to show them in a positive light."

Michael Yarish/Paramount Pictures

Natalie (Melissa DeSousa), Flex's new girlfriend and Breanna's art teacher, asks Flex to take a HIV test before they become intimate.

Pratt, the show's 16-year-old co-star whose movie credits include *Dr. Dolittle*, *Dr. Dolittle 2* and *Love & Basketball*, believes that the main reason "One On One" is No. 1 in Black households is that it sends positive messages to kids as well as adults.

"When African-American people see a positive image that's reflective of them, they want to watch. I think that also contributes to why we were nominated for an Image Award.

"Teenagers who are dealing with peer pressure or other things like that can see that they're not the only people going through it. They see that they are not by themselves.

"It is TV and it's not real, but it does affect people."

This season one of those positive messages had to do with the importance of HIV testing. UPN dedicated a series of network shows to the KNOW HIV/AIDS awareness campaign sponsored by the megamedia company Viacom and the health information/research company the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation. During the "One On One" episode, Flex's new girlfriend Natalie, played by Melissa DeSousa, puts off intimacy with him until he gets an HIV test.

"The test episode was a good one," says Flex. "We wanted to focus on the problem. I lost my brother to that, and it hit close to me. Kaiser and Viacom wanted to do something big and wanted to educate people on AIDS. It all just worked out well."

Eunetta Boone, the show's creator and executive producer, says that the appeal that "One On One" has on the community stems from the chemistry

"The fact that Flex wants to step up to the plate and be a good dad and wants custody of his daughter are elements of the show that I think make it appealing," says Eunetta Boone, the show's creator and one of its executive producers.

between its two stars.

"Flex Alexander is charming, and Kyla Pratt is just adorable," Boone says.

"Unfortunately we're in a time where divorce is not an abnormal thing. There's a lot of single parenting going on, mostly by women more so than men, but it's just the notion of alternative families. There's a lot of that going on right now and the audience relates to it. I knew eventually that people were going to love the show."

So what can fans expect to see from future episodes of "One On One"?

Without giving away any details Flex explains, "We'll touch on all those things that 16-year-olds think about. We're trying to add some twists and turns and some spice. You can expect more of that and more positive shows. It just keeps getting better and better and better.

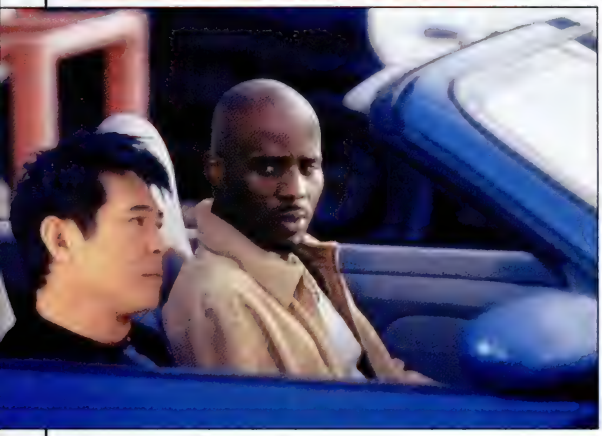
"I'm thrilled that it's turned out to be everything that I really thought it could be."

—*MARTI YARBROUGH*

◀ **CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:** Acclaimed film director Spike Lee holds his honorary "Cesar" award during the Cesar French film awards recently in Paris. Lee, who has made such movies as *She's Gotta Have It*, *School daze*, and *Malcolm X*, was honored for his illustrious filmmaking career. The Cesar awards are France's version of the Oscars.

movies to see

CRADLE 2 THE GRACE WARNER BROS. (Rated R)



Jet Li and DMX team up in Warner Bros.' action-packed movie Cradle 2 The Grave.

After pulling off a complex heist involving a cache of black diamonds, Tony Fait quickly comes fist-to-fist with Su, a Taiwanese government agent who has pursued the diamonds halfway across the world. But Su isn't just hunting down the diamonds; he's hunting down his former partner, Ling, who kidnaps Fait's daughter in a ploy to exchange her for the stolen jewels. However, when word hits the streets that Fait has stashed the stones, the diamonds promptly wind up in the hands of a powerful crime lord. Fait mobilizes his crew, suspends his strict no-guns policy and prepares to save his daughter. Only Su knows Ling well enough to anticipate his every move. And Fait realizes that Su is his best hope for bringing his daughter home alive. Starring: **Jet Li** as Su, and **DMX** as Tony Fait. **Anthony Anderson**, **Gabrielle Union**, **Paige Hurd**, **Mark Dacascos**, **Tom Arnold**, **Chi McBride** and **Kelly Hu** also star.

—*SYLVIA P. FLANAGAN*

Anthony Anderson and Lester Speight star in Cradle 2 The Grave.

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   Aaliyah (Blackground)
5. **I WANNA GO THERE**
   Tyrese (J)
6. **STILL GHETTO**
   Jaheim (Warner Bros.)
7. **THE LAST TEMPTATION**
   Ja Rule (Murder Inc.)
8. **CHAPTER 2: THE VOICE**
   Syleena Johnson (Jive)
9. **JUST WHITNEY**
   Whitney Houston (Arista)
10. **KINGS OF CRUNK**
    Lil' Jon & The East Side Boyz (TVT)
11. **BIRDMAN**
    Baby (Cash Money)
12. **SOLO STAR**
    Solange (Music World)
13. **NELLYVILLE**
    Nelly (Universal)
14. **THIS IS WHO I AM**
    Heather Headley (RCA)
15. **BALLERS**
    504 Boyz (TVT)
16. **GOD'S SON**
    Nas (Columbia)
17. **KEMISTRY**
    Kem (Motown)
18. **DUTTY ROCK**
    Sean Paul (2Hard)
19. **THINGS THAT LOVERS DO**
    Kenny Lattimore & Chanté Moore (Arista)
20. **THE MORNING AFTER**
    Deborah Cox (J)

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▲ **FIGHTING TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE:** Emmy-winning actress Kirstie Alley (c) meets the real-life Thornton family (l-r), son Ricky and parents Donna and Ricardo, during a recent Washington, D.C., screening of *Profoundly Normal*, the CBS movie based on the true story of Donna and Ricardo Thornton, two developmentally disabled people who forge a life as husband and wife. The real-life Thorntons were profiled on the CBS news magazine show "60 Minutes." In the recently broadcast film, Alley and actor Delroy Lindo (r) star as Donna and Ricardo, residents of Forest Haven, an institution for developmentally disabled people. Despite suffering personal abuse and neglect at the institution, the two form a friendship which blossoms into love. Although they face heavy opposition, the pair wed and decide to have a baby, sparking protests from critics who doubt the couple's ability to raise a child. Donna overcomes the odds and gives birth to a healthy "normal" baby boy, Ricky, and the family struggles to live a normal life.

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'Con Air'

Nicholas Cage (l) (Cameron Poe) and **Mykelti Williamson** (Baby-O) star in *Con Air*, an intense action/thriller in which Poe becomes a reluctant hero as he helps save his friend and former cell-mate Baby-O from a mid-air skyjacking. Also starring are **Ving Rhames**, **John Cusack**, **John Malkovich**, **Steve Buscemi**, **Colm Meaney** and **Monica Potter**, (Saturday, March 8 at 8 p.m., ET) on ABC. Others scheduled to appear this week include:

Marianne Jean-Baptiste on "Without A Trace," (Thursday, March 6 at 10 p.m., ET) on CBS

Arsenio Hall on "Star Search," (Friday, March 7 at 8 p.m., ET) on CBS.

Audra McDonald on "Mr. Sterling," (Friday, March 7 at 8 p.m., ET) on NBC.

Della Reese on "Touched by an Angel," (Saturday, March 8 at 8 p.m., ET) on CBS.

Merrin Dungey/Carl Lumbly on "Alias," (Sunday, March 9 at 9 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Cynthia Martells on "Veritas: The Quest," (Monday, March 10 at 8 p.m., ET) on ABC.

David Alan Grier on "Life With Bonnie," (Tuesday, March 11 at 9 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Damon Wayans/Tisha Campbell-Martin/Jennifer Nicole Freeman/George O. Gore II/Parker McKenna Posey on "My Wife & Kids," (Wednesday, March 12 at 8 p.m., ET) on ABC.

Anna Deavere Smith on "Presidio Med," (Wednesday, March 12 at 10 p.m., ET) on CBS.

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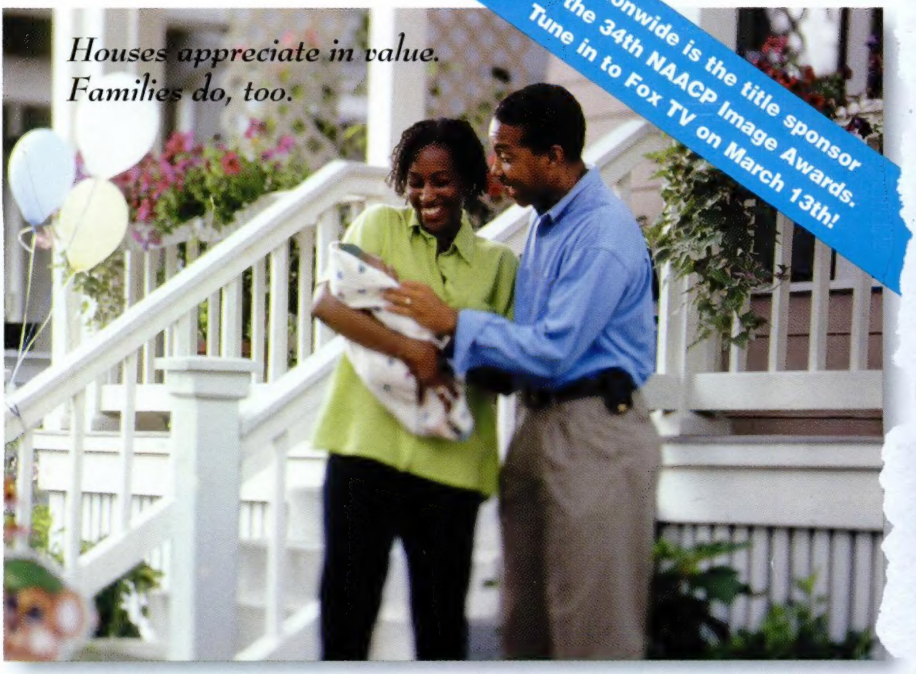

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